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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Jeffrey Nutt – Robbery Attempt and
Burglary Result in Conviction

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jeffrey Nutt, age 19, of Ceres, was convicted after a four-day jury trial of attempted robbery, having discharged a firearm during commission of the robbery, having been armed with a firearm during the commission of the robbery, and second degree burglary, having used a firearm during the commission of the burglary, and having been armed with a firearm during the commission of the burglary. Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey M. Laugero prosecuted the case on behalf of the People.

The case arose out of events that occurred on June 19, 2008 when Nutt entered the Walgreen's at 2101 E. Hatch Road just before the 10:00 p.m. closing time. Armed with a sawed-off shotgun and wearing a heavy coat and makeshift mask with eyeholes cut in it, Nutt jumped the checkout counter and was at the register when he saw an employee and confronted her. He pointed the shotgun at the employee and demanded she come to him. The employee, seven months pregnant at the time, raised her hands and told Nutt to just "take it." The employee continued to back away from Nutt as he continued to point the shotgun at her and order her to come to him. She turned and tried to run, but stumbled. She was able to catch her balance and run from the assailant, all the while fearing that she was about to be shot. Nutt ran from the store empty-handed, and was seen fleeing the Walgreens. With the assistance of several citizens pointing the way, Ceres Police officers were able to locate Nutt and another young man in the area of Richard Way and Gene Road. The employee and another witness identified Nutt as the responsible for the attempted robbery and burglary. Nutt admitted the attempted robbery and told officers he went to the Walgreen's to "rob it." The shotgun was recovered along Nutt's escape route, and was identified by Nutt and the victim as the gun used during the commission of the crime.

Sentencing is scheduled for April 24th before the Honorable Dawna Frenchie Reeves. Nutt faces a maximum sentence of 13 years in state prison.

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